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to the support element toward the bone cover or bone fragment and has a substantially triangular form such that the spike can be driven laterally into the bone cover or bone fragment.

6. (Twice Amended) The implant according to Claim 1, wherein the spike extends from an end of the extension remote from the support element.

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12. (Twice Amended) A self-retaining implant for attaching a bone cover or a bone fragment to a skull, the implant comprising:

a support element with an upper side and a lower side for contacting the bone cover or the bone fragment, and

an extension extending from the lower side of the support element in such a manner that the support element and the extension form a T-shaped structure in cross section, the extension supporting at least one spike which extends substantially parallel to the support element toward the bone cover or bone fragment and has a substantially triangular form such that the spike can be driven laterally into the bone cover or bone fragment.

Please add the following claim:

28. (New) The implant according to Claim 12, wherein the spike comprises sharpened edges.